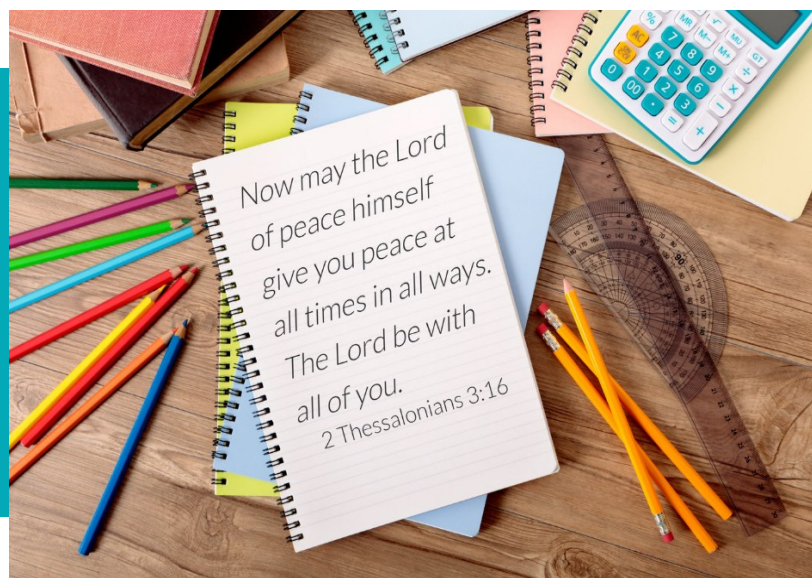


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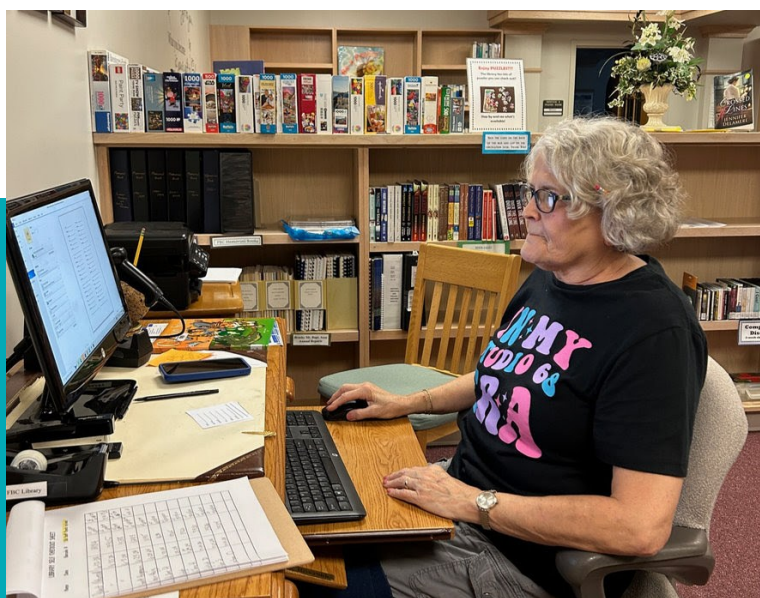


Recognizing Janet Atwood for 40 years of service!

On Sunday, August 24, the Diaconate of First Baptist Church voted unanimously to recognize Janet Atwood for her faithful and passionate service as our Church Librarian. Believe it or not, Janet assumed this volunteer role in 1986—one year shy of 40 years ago. To put that in perspective, Top Gun was the number one movie and the Chicago Bears did the Super Bowl Shuffle over the Patriots 46-10. Throughout all of those years, Janet has kept the

library orderly and well-stocked with books of interest for all ages. She has also poured her creative energy into promoting the library and reading among our church members.

Therefore, as part of the recommendation to recognize Janet's service, a plaque will be placed in the library commemorating and honoring Janet's good work. Please join us in thanking Janet.



Faith. Friendship. Community.

*"There is a seat at the table
for everyone at First Baptist"*

DR. BERT YOUNG

First Baptist Ministerial Staff

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Finance Committee

The Finance Committee meets Tues., Sept. 16 in the large conference room.

Executive Committee/First Baptist Diaconate

The Executive Committee meets Tues., Sept. at 4:00pm, Diaconate meets Sun., Sept. 21 at 8:30am.

Book Club

The *Shelf Indulgence Book Club* will meet on Thurs., Sept. 25 at 1 p.m. to discuss *The Personal Librarian*, by Marie Benedict.

CARENET Alzheimer/Dementia

Caregivers' Support Group

The group meets on the 2nd/4th Thursdays at 11:00 a.m. in The Gathering Place. This month they will meet on Sept. 11 and 25

St. Paul's Crisis Ministry Volunteers "Team B"

Meeting 9:30 a.m. on Thurs., Sept. 25 to prepare lunch for the Crisis Ministry.

Forever Young

Join and be involved in wonderful fellowship together!!

September 18 - Shop at the Amish Store, Eat at Little Kitchen Restaurant and Fellowship at a Local Winery

Leave FBCNW at 9:00 a.m. - Return late afternoon. **RSVP to Patricia or Katie by Sunday, September 14 if you plan to attend.**

October 16 - Leaf Trip - Breakfast at the Bluff's, Mabry Mill and lunch

Change of Show:

November 18 - Dr. Seuss' How the Grinch Stole Christmas! Musical

NOTE: 25 tickets have been ordered. Sign up ASAP to reserve a ticket (first-come, first-served) Cost of ticket is \$45. If you paid for a ticket for Wolfhart last year, your ticket cost is covered. Please contact Katie or Patricia to sign up and pay your money if needed. Tickets will be reserved with final balance due by **Oct. 15.**

School is back in session which means the new church year for youth is beginning. Friday morning breakfast at The 50's began on Friday. Sunday youth nights will begin on Sunday, September 7 from 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. Our church family is needed to help with suppers on Sundays for our youth and children. The meals can be homemade or something from a restaurant. Let Patricia or Jamie know if you are willing to assist with this and be in a rotation. We can also give you suggestions if needed. Serving a meal to the youth is one way you can be an encouragement to our youth.

Our youth time will be structured with choir and a meal each evening. Some Sunday nights our youth will be doing prayer experiences, a Bible study entitled - *Becoming Like Christ*, or have special recreation times. Pray for our youth as they continue to build their spiritual foundations. Youth will also be going to small groups. I encourage adults to use this time to get to know the youth and offer encouragement and support to them. Experts say, each youth needs 5 trusted adults in their lives, and you can be one of those people.

Finally youth parents and youth remember to sign up for the CBFNC Youth Beach Retreat at Caswell October 24-27. Cost is \$100 and is due by Sunday, September 14.

Our youth group is growing and we are always looking for volunteers. If you would like to get involved with the youth please let Patricia know. All it takes is a commitment to love our youth and be there for them!!

Blessings, Patricia

HOPE & Harmony Bazaar



The Hope & Harmony Bazaar Team continues preparations for the 2025 Bazaar Crawl. Thank you so much to those who have already donated! Items we currently need include: Canning Jars ~ pints and quarts (especially pint size), baskets/decorative containers, picture frames, wreaths, wired ribbon for decorative bows, Christmas items/decor, collectible items you no longer use, puzzles, and books. (Please, no yard sale items that are not listed above)

Our next scheduled drop-off date is Friday, Sept. 5, from 11:00-1:00 at the kitchen circle entrance off 6th street. This will also be a workday for anyone wanting to work in the bazaar room organizing and pricing items.

Kids News

UNDER CONSTRUCTION: A 5-Week Series from 1 Kings & 2 Chronicles on Solomon starting September 7th during Sunday School, Children's Church, and First Kids Sunday Evenings.

SERIES OVERVIEW:

King Solomon is best known for his wisdom and for building God's temple. Thankfully, he passed on his wisdom so others could have a strong foundation for building up their faith. In this 5-week series, kids will hear from Solomon and the wisdom he shared about the kind of life God wants to help us build. They'll see that God gives them directions to follow, listens to their requests, is worthy of their worship, and gives them true wisdom.

First Kids/ Youth Sunday Evenings will begin on September 7th from 4:30 to 6:30 pm. We will have our Bible study, music with Ms. Larisa, and dinner together. If you would like to sign up to make a meal for our youth and First Kids on a Sunday evening, please get in touch with Patricia or Jamie.

More dates have been added to our Volunteer Signup page for anyone who would like to volunteer in the nursery. If you have never signed up for the nursery, that is okay! Just click on the nursery volunteer button on the FBCNW website and sign up. Jamie will be in contact with more information and a background check that will need to be completed to volunteer.

River Baptisms on September 7 at 3:00 p.m.

On Sunday, September 7, our church will baptize four members of our Youth Group. Charlea Abrams, Lake Carver, Maddie Caudill, Jordan Johnson have all recently made public professions of their faith in Jesus Christ and have requested baptism. The idea was floated of conducting the baptism in a river (in the way Jesus was baptized) and all four young ladies and their families liked the idea. So, at 3:00pm on Sunday, September 7, everyone is invited to the baptismal site directly across the road from 680 Tumbling Shoals Rd, Millers Creek, 28651 (there is no address for the site) to participate in this sacrament. There is plenty of parking and ample space for viewing the baptisms. Please be in prayer for Charlea, Lake, Maddie, and Jordan as they take this significant



New Free Food Giveaway Ministry at FBC

Below are the requested donation items for this month. Our first giveaway day will be mid-to-late October! Collection bins are set up in the Portico breezeway, the Sunday School back entrance, in the Narthex, and in front of the church library. We will designate what items are needed each week and we will ensure communication to the congregation will be regular and concise. This project is designed to work with HOPE Ministries and not to replace our church's support of their other ministries and outreach programs.

<u>Aug. 25—</u>	Pork and	Wash
<u>Sept. 14</u>	Beans	Feminine
Food Items	Canned Pasta	Products
Soup	Canned Fish	
Ramen Noodles	Canned Meats	
Spaghetti pasta	Hygiene Items	Mac and Cheese
Spaghetti sauce	Shampoo	Crackers
	Soap/Body	Rice

Thank You Notes

Dear Church Family,
Thank you for all the prayers, cards and kind words during the sad time of losing my sister. Martha was a wonderful sister and will be greatly missed.

Madelene Johnson

Dear Church Family,
Hands down, you all are the BEST! We are simply overwhelmed by the kindness, and support you have shown us during Ronnie's hospital stay and recovery. We thank you for every call, email, text, note, card, and visit. Each one made us feel special and cared for. You will never know how much your thoughts, and prayers have meant. We could feel those prayers and they made us feel showered with love and encouragement. We are so blessed to be part of such a loving church family. Please know we love you all!

Ronnie and Pat Osborne

Announcements

Rev. Patricia Turner On-Call Weekend

The Deacons unanimously approved the second weekend of each month (Friday and Saturday) to be "On-Call" weekends for Patricia to afford our Pastor one weekend a month of being "Off-Call." So, if you are in need of a minister, have a question about something church or ministry related on the second Friday and Saturday of the month, please call or text Rev. Patricia Turner at (704) 473-4644. Patricia is a seasoned, ordained minister with over 30 years of ministry experience and is more than capable of responding to any need that may arise. You have Katie Rash and your Deacon as resources as well.

This plan will give our Pastor and his family a few days off each month without church responsibility. Being "on-call" 24/7/365 can be daunting. Of course, if Patricia needs to involve the Pastor she will—at her discretion. Her "On-Call" days this month will be Friday, September 12 and Saturday, September 13. Thank you.

Deacon Ordination Service on September 21

During the worship hour on Sunday, September 21, our church will ordain into the Diaconate Annette Battle and Madelene Johnson. Please be present to participate in this high and holy function of our church as we offer prayers and blessings for these two Christian women we have called to this role.

We will also share in the sacrament of the Lord's Supper that day. Obviously, this will be a "short sermon Sunday," but God surely will speak through the sacraments. I hope you will make plans to be with us.

The First Baptist Diaconate for 2025-2026: Patricia Alexander, Jim Archibald, Janet Atwood, Annette Battle, Bill Bumgarner, Tom Caudill, Cheryl Church, Hope Coffey, Frank Day, Dawn Gardner, Robert Greene, Sr., Brian Huffman, Madelene Johnson, Steve Moree, Dwayne Prevette, Patrick Smith, Marie Waddell, and Rod Watts.

Covered Dish Meal and Christmas Shoeboxes Info Night on September 24

On Wed., Sept. 24 at 6 p.m., we will gather for a covered dish meal and hear more about this year's new shoebox project, partnering with Olive Branch Ministries, "Christmas Boxes for Appalachia" program. Ginger Edmiston and Tammy Watts have stepped forward to co-lead this missional effort. You won't want to miss this exciting new Ministry opportunity!

Make Reservations Now for Homecoming on Oct. 12

On Sunday, October 12, our church will celebrate Homecoming as well as the Kickoff of our Capital Campaign: *Honoring Our Heritage, Fulfilling Our Future* with a FREE catered lunch in the Wayland Hall after our worship service. The lunch is FREE but you must have a reservation. Call the church office now to make your reservation or fill out a reservation slip in worship and place it in the offering plate. We would encourage you to invite friends or family members who are no longer members or are non-resident members to come with you and include them in your reservation. **The deadline to make a reservation is Sunday, October 5.**

FINANCIAL REPORT & DONATIONS TO ENDURING GIFTS

Weekly Report Aug. 24, 2025

Designated Receipts	\$ 1,885.50
Budget Receipts	\$ 17,540.17
Weekly Budget Needed	\$ 1,328.87
Budget Needed to Date	\$ 385,181.42
Budget Received to Date	\$ 369,115.43
Budget Deficit	\$ 16,065.99

Donations to Enduring Gifts/Rainy Day Fund

Memorials

In Memory of Dick McNeil

Given by Barbara McKenzie, Vivian Collins, Linda Bentley, Ritchie & Tamarah Cornette, Lynn Day

In Memory of Joel McDonald, Elaine Michael, Helen Shinaman

Given by Barbara McKenzie

Memory of Mike Bullock (birthday Aug. 19)

Given by Dianna Bullock, Steve & Judy Foster

Honorariums

In Honor of Margie Fagan

Given by Shirley Deal, Lloyd & Kim Sharp

In Honor of Rehoboth SS Class

Given by Barbara McKenzie

In Honor of Philathea SS Class

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Upcoming Events

Refer to Scope for Monthly Meetings

- Sept. 1** Church Office Closed—Labor Day
- Sept. 3** Handbells 5pm/Choir 6:45 pm (every Wednesday)
- Sept. 5** Bazaar Item Drop Off at the Kitchen Circle 11am-1pm
- Sept. 7** Baptisms of Charlea Abrams, Lake Carver, Maddie Caudill, and Jordan Johnson in the Tumbling Shoals Creek in Millers Creek 3 p.m.
First Kids/Youth resume Sun. evenings 4:30-6:30pm
- Sept. 11** CareNet Counseling Alzheimer/Dementia Caregiver Support Group 11 am
Gathering Place
- Sept. 16** Finance Committee meets 2:30 pm, Executive Committee meets 4 pm
- Sept. 18** Forever Young to Amish Store
- Sept. 21** Deacon's Meeting 8:30 a.m., Deacon Ordination and Communion
- Sept. 24** Covered Dish Supper and Christmas Shoeboxes Info Night 6:00 p.m.
- Sept. 25** St. Paul's "Team B" Volunteers prepare and serve lunch at Crisis Ministry
CareNet Counseling Alzheimer/Dementia Caregiver Support Group 11 am
Gathering Place
Shelf Indulgence Book Club 1 pm Gathering Place
- Sept. 26** No School, Fast Food Friday 12:30-2:30pm

Patricia & Youth will meet for Breakfast on Fridays when school is in @6:15 am
If there is no school on a Friday, it will be Fast Food Friday from 12:30-2:30 p.m. instead

Worship with us at First Baptist

Regular Sunday Activities

- 9:15 a.m. Library Open
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School/Bible Study all ages
- 11:00 a.m. Worship Service
- Nursery available ages birth to 3 years
during Sunday School and Worship

Pastor Bert's Benediction

Live Simply

Love Generously

Care Deeply

Speak Kindly

Forgive Freely

Pray Daily

And Leave the Rest to God

September 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<i>1 Labor Day Office Closed</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>3 Handbells 5 pm Choir 6:45 pm</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>5 Youth breakfast 6:15 am Bazaar Drop-Off Day 11-1 pm at the Kitchen Circle</i>	<i>6</i>
<i>7 SS 9:45 am Worship 11 am Baptisms-Tumbling Shoals Creek 3 pm First Kids/Youth Resume 4:30-6:30 pm</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>10 Handbells 5 pm Choir 6:45 pm</i>	<i>11 CareNet Alzheimer's Dementia Caregiver Support Group 11 am</i>	<i>12 Youth breakfast 6:15 am Rev. Patricia Turner On-Call Weekend</i>	<i>13 Rev. Patricia Turner On-Call Weekend</i>
<i>14 SS 9:45 am Worship 11 am First Kids/Youth 4:30-6:30 pm</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>16 Finance Committee meets 2:30 pm Executive Committee meets 4:00 pm</i>	<i>17 Handbells 5 pm Choir 6:45 pm</i>	<i>18 Forever Young to Amish Store</i>	<i>19 Youth breakfast 6:15 am</i>	<i>20</i>
<i>21 Deacons meet 8:30am SS 9:45 am Worship 11 am Deacon Ordination & Communion First Kids/Youth 4:30-6:30 pm</i>	<i>22</i>	<i>23</i>	<i>24 Handbells 5 pm Christmas Shoebox Covered Dish 6 pm Choir 7:15 pm</i>	<i>25 St. Paul's "Team B" volunteers serve lunch @ St. Paul's CareNet Alzheimer's Dementia Caregiver Support Group 11 am Book Club 1 pm</i>	<i>26 No School Youth Fast Food Friday 12:30-2:30 pm</i>	<i>27</i>
<i>28 SS 9:45 am Worship 11 am First Kids/Youth 4:30-6:30 pm</i>	<i>29</i>	<i>30</i>				

September 2025 Volunteers and Birthdays

	Sept. 7	Sept. 14	Sept. 21	Sept. 28
Ushers	Robert Greene's Team	Bill Myers' Team	Tommy Caudill's Team	Frank Day's Team
SS Nursery	Linda Wehrmann	Tamarah Cornette	Ashley Davis	Ashley Davis
Worship Nursery	Anabelle Higginbotham	Adena Greene	Ashley Davis	Ashley Davis
SS Greeters	David & Hilda Smith	Brian Huffman; Mickey Leapley	Jim & Marie Waddell	Frank Day
Worship Greeters	Patricia Alexander	Brad Hincer	Steve Moree	Patrick Smith
Visitor's Table	Pam Greene	Martha Myers	Marie Waddell	Madelene Johnson
Open Up	Danny Stanley	Danny Stanley	Danny Stanley	Danny Stanley
Lock Up	Mike Norwood; Anthony Davis	Mike Norwood; Anthony Davis	Mike Norwood; Anthony Davis	Mike Norwood; Anthony Davis

September Birthdays

Sept. 1: Austin Owens	Sept. 16: P.J. McFaddin	Sept. 26: Bill Myers
Sept. 2: Ida Maude Collins	Tammy Prevette	Sept. 27: Dawn Gardner
Sept. 4: Ian Hagaman	Sept. 17: Margie Fagan	Elaine Young
Sept. 5: Lou Pendry	Chris Day	Holt Hanchey
Sept. 10: Kelly Huffman	Sept. 18: Dianna Bullock	Sept. 28: Cindy Smith
Nancy Nixon	Sept. 19: Nellie Archibald	Sept. 29: Wilma Lovette
Patrick Smith	Sept. 20: Michael Parsons	Sept. 30: Betty Kilby
Sept. 11: Michael Lentz	Sept. 21: Ashley Royall	Bill Johnson
Sept. 12: Bettie Braswell	Sept. 22: Neil Day	
Sept. 14: David Reynolds	Beth Reynolds	
Sept. 15: Reid Huskey	Sept. 24: Lake Carver	
Sydney Leapley	Pam Edwards	

Looking Ahead to October

Oct. 1: Beth Bond	Oct. 10: Frank Day	Oct. 24: Caleb Huffman
Debra Kilpatrick	Susan Vazquez	Oct. 25: Brian Higginbotham
Oct. 3: Riley Evans	Oct. 11: Matt Hagaman	Di Earp
Jimmy Graham	Oct. 12: Ally Cheek Hudgins	Janice Earp
Oct. 4: Larry Day	Jordan Johnson	Nelle Lloyd
Gwyneth Young	Kassidy Newton	Oct. 27: Jim Conley
Oct. 5: Ethan Dingee	Corky Waugh	Allen Davis
Oct. 6: LuAnne Hudson	Oct. 18: Phyllis Bumgarner	Oct. 28: Anna Brooks
Oct. 8: Adilene Higginbotham	Oct. 19: Marie Waddell	Oct. 30: Benjamin Huffman
Charles Young, Sr.	Oct. 21: Mary Forester	Oct. 31: Brian Elledge
Oct. 9: Derwood Ashworth	Harvey Hall	
Jerry Cheek	Kevin Reynolds	